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**MASSACHUSETTS MAN SENTENCED IN FEDERAL COURT
ON WEAPONS CHARGES**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE--United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire Tom Colantuono, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Special Agent in Charge Glenn Anderson, and Dover Police Chief William Fenniman, announce that **Monty P. Granger**, age 25, of Boston, Massachusetts, was sentenced today in United States District Court in Concord, New Hampshire, to 120 months (10 years) in federal prison on several charges of felon in possession of firearms.

The defendant previously pleaded guilty to 5 counts of felon in possession in connection with his involvement in the illegal purchase of firearms from licensed firearms dealers in the New Hampshire seacoast and southern Maine. The evidence established that Granger solicited 2 women to make the purchases for him, and then he brought the guns to Boston for re-sale on the street.

This case is another strong example of the value and success of the Justice Department's gun violence reduction program, Project Safe Neighborhoods. Project Safe Neighborhoods is designed to coordinate federal, state and local law enforcement and community resources to address gun violence. One aspect of the program is the aggressive enforcement of existing firearms laws.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark E. Howard.